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In re application of:

Jose Uemura and Rafael Gomez

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Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Responsive to the Office Action dated March 12, 2004, enclosed is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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For:	Number After	Previous	Extra	Rate	Additional
	Amendment	Number			Fee
Total Claims	54	54	0	x \$18 =	\$0
Independent Claims	5	5	0	x \$86 =	\$0
Extension of Time – 1 st		<u> </u>			\$110
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE					\$110
FOR THIS AMENDMENT					

 \boxtimes Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response. The extension fee is included.

 \boxtimes Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit account number 13-1703.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action, Paper No. 3, dated March 12, 2004, please amend the application as follows.

Drawing amendments begin on page 2. A replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes are included with this Response.

Claim amendments begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 12.